

My i3WM Cheat Sheet

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Window Basics

- Mod+Enter – Spawn Terminal
- Mod+/ – Spawn Horizontal Terminal
- Mod+' – Spawn Vertical Terminal
- Mod+t – Toggle Between Vertical & Horizontal Terminals
- Mod+q – Close Window
- Mod+f – Full Screen

Window Navigation (Vim Bindings)

- Mod+h/j/k/l – Move to another Window
- Mod+(number) – Move to that number Workspace
- Mod+Shift+(number) – Send Window to that Workspace
- Mod+Tab – Go to Previous Workspace
- Mod+Shift+Delete – “Snowden Mode” Press this sequence to hide your screen. Moves to a new workspace, mutes sound, pauses music and shows distraction windows.

Basic Applications

- Mod+w – Web Browser (FireFox)
- Mod+r – File Manager (Ranger)
- Mod+e – Email Client (Mutt)
- Mod+i – System Info (HTop)
- Mod+d – DMenu (All other Apps)

System

- 'Mod+x' – Lock Screen (Password Protected i3Lock)
- 'Mod+X' – Shutdown (With Confirmation Selection)
- 'Mod+Shift+b' – Restart i3
- Mod+Shift+c – Reload i3 Config

Wallpaper

- i3 defaults to the file in ~/.config/wall.png for the desktop wallpaper.